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QUARTERLY MEETING, JANUARY, 1806.

At a meeting of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Jan. 28, 1806, — the members present were, G. Bradford, J. Davis, Eliot, Emerson, J. Freeman, Holmes, Pemberton, Shaw, James Sullivan, Tudor, Turell, and Webster.

Voted, That the Recording Secretary be authorized to give receipts, as Treasurer *pro tem.*, to such members of the Society as have or shall loan any moneys toward paying the expense of reprinting the first volume of the Collections.

member on the recommendation of Dr. Anderson, of Edinburgh, in a letter to Dr. Eliot, printed on pp. 173–175. His letter of acknowledgment is here given: —

“DUBLIN, 29th August, 1808.

“SIR, — Although late the information, my obligations are not less for the honor the Boston Society have conferred upon me by electing me an honorary member of their Society, and to you, Sir, for the polite manner in which you have communicated their pleasure. Much advantage cannot be expected from a man upwards of fourscore.

“To be as useful as possible, I have ordered a box, containing the Transactions of the Dublin Society for some years past, to be forwarded to you. Some statistical surveys of counties and my ‘Essay on the First Peopling of the British Isles’ will accompany them. It will appear surprising that in ancient Irish MSS., of at least eight hundred years old, I should discover that one tribe of those colonists brought with them the mythology of the Tibetans, and that altars of their deities should exist at this day in Ireland, and known to the peasantry by their names; and it will appear still more extraordinary that Captain Wilford, well skilled in the Sanscrit, and with whom I have no sort of communication or correspondence, should assert from the Puranas that a colony from Hindostan did migrate to the British Isles. They were, in fact, the Indo-Scythians, who, Goropius Becanus says, peopled Germany; and I think they migrated to your country, and formed the Algonkin nation, for their language is very similar to the old Irish, as I have shown in one number of my ‘Collectanea de Rebus Hibernicis.’

“The box, by advice of your Consul at this city, goes to Boston, and I hope will be forwarded to you by the first opportunity.

“I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient humble servant,

“CH. VALLANCEY.

“JOHN ELIOT, Esq., Boston.”

EDS.

Voted, That the volumes of the Collections in future be sold at one dollar and fifty cents a copy.

Voted, That Dr. Eliot and Mr. Shaw be a committee to appoint a place where the Collections of the Society may be deposited for sale.

ANNUAL MEETING, APRIL, 1806.

At a meeting of the Massachusetts Historical Society, April 29, 1806, — the members present were, G. Bradford, Emerson, J. Freeman, Holmes, Homer, Kirkland, Rand, Shaw, and Turell.

CHRISTOPHER GORE	was chosen . . .	PRESIDENT.
JOSIAH QUINCY	„ . . .	TREASURER.
JOHN ELIOT	„ . . .	CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.
JAMES FREEMAN	„ . . .	RECORDING SECRETARY.
WILLIAM SMITH SHAW	„ . . .	LIBRARIAN.
SAMUEL TURELL	„ . . .	CABINET-KEEPER.
WILLIAM TUDOR	} were chosen . . .	STANDING COMMITTEE.
JAMES WINTHROP		
JOHN DAVIS		
REDFORD WEBSTER		
WILLIAM EMERSON		

QUARTERLY MEETING.

At a meeting of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Aug. 26, 1806, — the members present were, Allyn, Bartlett, Bradford, J. Davis, Dexter, Eliot, Emerson, J. Freeman, Gore, Kilham, Kirkland, Morse, Pemberton, Quincy, Shaw, Spooner, Turell, Tyng, Whitney, and T. L. Winthrop.

JOHN T. KIRKLAND was chosen a member of the Standing Committee, in the place of William Tudor, who has gone to Europe.

Voted, That Messrs. T. L. Winthrop, Eliot, and Spooner be a committee to examine the Treasurer's accounts.

The said Committee reported that they had examined the Treasurer's accounts, that they find them correct, well vouched, and that the sum of one hundred and two dollars and seventeen cents is due from the Society, to be passed to its debit in the next account of the Treasurer.

Voted, That the Report be accepted.

The account of James Freeman being presented to the Society, duly authenticated by the Standing Committee, by which it appears that the sum of two hundred and two dollars and fifty cents is due from the Society to the said Freeman, it was

Voted, That the same be allowed.

JAMES FREEMAN communicated to the Society that he has in his hands the sum of two hundred dollars, which is a donation to the Society, upon condition that the same should be appropriated exclusively to the printing of the tenth volume of the Society's Collections, or to the binding of any books or pamphlets belonging to the Society. Thereupon, it was

Voted, That the Society accept the donation on the said conditions, and that the Treasurer be directed to govern himself accordingly.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

At a meeting of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Oct. 28, 1806, — the members present were, Dexter, J. Freeman, Quincy, Rich, and T. L. Winthrop.

No business was done.

QUARTERLY MEETING, JANUARY, 1807.

At a meeting of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Jan. 27, 1807, —

The following donations were made to the Society : —

For the Collections : —

Memoirs of Edward Tyng, Esq.; and an Account of the Earthquakes in New Hampshire, continued. By Rev. Timothy Alden.

Account of Fires in Boston, continued; and a General Account of Fires in the other Towns in Massachusetts, during the eighteenth century. By Mr. Thomas Pemberton.*

A Topographical Description of Brewster, by Rev. John Simpkins.†

History of a Successful Attack on the Indians in Wrentham, about the year 1675, by Dr. James Mann.†

Bill of Mortality for Middleborough, 1805, by Isaac Thomson, Esq.†

Letters from William Penn, Jr., Springett Penn, John Penn, &c., from 1717 to 1729. Presented by Colonel Constant Freeman.

Bill of Mortality for Portsmouth, 1805, by Dr. Lyman Spalding.

Elegy on Seaborn Cotton. Presented by Thomas Williams, Esq.

For the Library : —

Newspapers of Savannah, Georgia, from 1763 to 1770, two volumes, bound, from Dr. Lemuel Kollock.

Journals and Reports of Congress, three volumes, from John Q. Adams, Esq.

Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, from the General Court.

Hutchinson's Collections of Papers, from Dr. Thomas Danforth.

* The memoirs of Edward Tyng were printed in Collections, X. 180; the Account of Earthquakes, in 2 Collections, IV. 70; the Account of Fires in Boston, continued, &c., in 2 Collections, I. 81. — Eds.

† These were severally printed in Collections, X. 72, 133, 188. — Eds.